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SUBJECT: ROK MISSION SIGNS TRADE AND ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL

CO- OPERATION AGREEMENTS WITH GUYANA

REF: SEOUL 19698

1. THREE MAN ROK MISSION SIGNED TWO AGREEMENTS WITH GOG ON MARCH 28 DESCRIBED AS FORMING LEGAL BASIS FOR PROMOTION OF TRADE AND FOR ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL CO- OPERATION. MISSION CONSISTING VICE FOREIGN MINISTER YUN SUK- HEUN, CHIEF OF FOREIGN MINISTRY' S LATIN AMERICAN SECTION KIM SANG- KYU AND KOREAN AMBASSADOR TO BRAZIL AND NON- RESIDENT AMBASSADOR TO GUYANA LO SUK- CHAN ARRIVED GEORGETOWN MARCH 24 AND DEPARTED MARCH 27.

2. MISSION LEADER YUN TOLD GOVT- OWNED " CHRONICLE" THAT TWO COUNTRIES' BUSINESSMEN WERE EXPECTED TO EXCHANGE VISITS TO
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DISCUSS AND STUDY MUTUAL TRADE OPPORTUNITIES. WHEN QUERIED AS TO SPECIFIC PRODUCTS WHICH MIGHT FIGURE IN GUYANA- KOREAN TRADE, HE WAS NON- COMMITAL. BUT YUN SAW MANY OPPORTUNITIES FOR TECHNICAL AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION. IN PARTICULAR HE FELT ROK COULD HELP GUYANA IN FISHING, AGRICULTURE AND TIMBER DEVELOPMENT. SAID SOUTH KOREA WOULD SEND ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL TEAM TO GUYANA IN NEAR FUTURE TO EXAMINE POSSIBLE AREAS OF COOPERATION WITH VIEW TO WORKING OUT JOINT PROGRAM. ROK PREPARED TO OFFER TRAINING TO NUMBER YOUNG GUYANESE IN FIELDS TO BE IDENTIFIED BY GOG AND ALSO INITIATE PROGRAM OF CULTURAL EXCHANGES, INCLUDING JOURNALISTS.

3. YUN INDICATED QUESTION OF RESIDENT ROK EMBASSY IN GEORGE-TOWN TOUCHED ON IN TALKS, BUT ONLY BRIEFLY. ROK WOULD PURSUE MATTER IN GREATER DETAIL WHEN RELATIONS PROVIDED FOR IN TWO AGREEMENTS FIRMLY ESTABLISHED. HE TERMED EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WITH GOG OFFICIALS " VERY USEFUL" AND PROFESSED TO BE " VERY MUCH SATISFIED" WITH RESULTS OF VISIT.

4. COMMENT: WE WILL ENDEAVOR TO LEARN WHETHER MISSION ACHIEVED ITS MAIN OBJECTIVE, SUPPORT FOR ROK AT UNGA. MINISTER FOREIGN AFFAIRS RAMPHAL WAS IN LONDON FOR COMMONWEALTH SUGAR TALKS DURING KOREAN VISIT. KING

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